

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

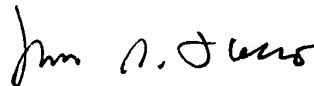
Original claims 1 to 23 have been canceled. New claims 24 to 28 have been added. These new claims are identical to claims 45 to 49 that were canceled by agreement of the Examiner and applicant's representative in a telephone conference of October 16, 2003 in the parent application.

Applicants respectfully ask for allowance of the claims as amended.

If any fees are deemed due, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 07-1765.

Respectfully submitted,

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